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a turntable rotatably disposed in said base and including a top surface;

a holder supported by said turntable for [rightward and leftward] tilting transversely in opposite directions about a zerotilt angle position;

a circular saw blade;

a saw shaft located above said holder for supporting said saw so that said saw can be swung up and down relative to said base, about a pivot shaft;

a circular saw assembly having a motor covered by a housing;

a motor shaft of said motor being disposed in parallel with and above said saw shaft;

transmission means through which said motor shaft is connected to said saw shaft so that an axis of said motor shaft is shifted from an axis of said saw shaft by a distance which substantially corresponds to or is greater than the radius of said circular saw blade, whereby when said holder is tilted by an angle of 45 degrees or more with respect to said top surface of said turntable, said housing does not contact said top surface of said base [whereby even if said motor is tilted at an angle of 45 degrees or more with respect to said turntable, said housing does not contact the top of said base).

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4. (Amended) A desk-top cutting machine including a base on which a workpiece to be cut by said machine is supported, comprising:

a turntable rotatably disposed in said base and extending
horizontally;

a holder provided at [the] a rear of said base and tiltable in opposite directions about a plane extending vertically [rightward and leftward] with respect to said base;

 ρ a circular saw assembly disposed at the [uper] upper portion of said holder such that said assembly can be swung up and down;

 ρ_l a stopper pin provided in said holder; and

a [detent] hole located in said turntable into which said pin can be removably inserted, [a] said hole being shaped and located so that said assembly is set only at a zero-tilt angle when said pin is inserted into said hole.

Please insert new claim 5 as follows.

wherein said stopper pin includes a tapered tip portion and said hole is shaped correspondingly, so that said stopper pin is operative for insertion into said hole without play.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Line 4, delete "alows" and insert --allows--.